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Mr. Daniel Blackman
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RE: Atlanta Area 2015 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan and Redesignation Request

Dear Mr. Blackman:

With this letter, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is submitting for approval and incorporation a proposed revision to Georgia's State Implementation Plan (SIP). This revision includes a plan, consistent with §175A of the Clean Air Act (CAA), to provide for the maintenance of the 2015 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for the Atlanta Area. This submittal also serves as a request that the Atlanta Area be redesignated as an area attaining the 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS.

The public notice for this revision to Georgia's SIP was published via GovDelivery.com on November 17, 2021. A public hearing for the proposed revision was held on December 28, 2021. The public comment period ended on January 4, 2022. No comments were received during the public hearing. Written comments were received from EPA on December 17, 2021, and EPD's responses are enclosed. No other comments were received. A certification that the required public notice was provided and that a public hearing was held is enclosed.

As required by the federal SIP-processing regulations, we have enclosed the administrative materials and technical support checklists to satisfy the SIP submittal completeness criteria requirements. This revision is being submitted via EPA's State Planning Electronic Collaboration System (SPeCS) with the exception of the Appendices due to size limitations in SPeCS. Instead, the Appendices will be delivered in CD form by U.S. Postal Service. Paper copies of these large data files are not provided in order to relieve unnecessary paper burden.

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We look forward to your review and approval of this revision. Should you or your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact Steve Allison at Steve.Allison2@dnr.ga.gov or 470-938-3360.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. Dunn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and a stylized "D".

Richard E. Dunn
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Enclosures

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